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1. ☒ is attached hereto.
 2. ☐ was filed on _____ as
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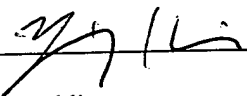
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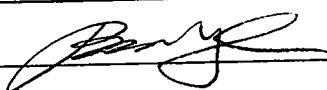
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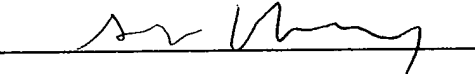
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